

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

EL PASO County

MINUTE ORDER

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District EL PASO

WHEREAS, in EL PASO COUNTY, on Arcraft Road, from Interstate Highway 10 to the New Mexico State Line, a distance of approximately 3.0 miles, a roadway project was authorized for construction by Minute Order 91758 dated June 26, 1991 and is currently under construction; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the "city") and El Paso County (the "county") are concerned about the truck traffic traveling from the Santa Teresa Port of Entry in New Mexico along Farm to Market Road 260; and

WHEREAS, the Arcraft Road project will help relieve the flow of truck traffic traveling along Farm to Market Road 260; and

WHEREAS, Minute Order 91758 stated that the city would assume responsibility for the jurisdiction and maintenance of Farm to Market Road 260 upon completion of the Arcraft Road project; and

WHEREAS, in order to better control truck traffic flow, the city and the county have requested that the section of Farm to Market Road 260, from State Highway 20 to the New Mexico State Line, a distance of approximately 6.9 miles, be returned to them now for jurisdiction and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Sections 201.103 and 221.001, the executive director has recommended that Farm to Market Road 260 be removed from the state highway system and be returned to the city and the county for their jurisdiction and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, this action is in accordance with the 1997-2001 Strategic Plan strategy to provide for routine maintenance and operation of the state highway system;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the executive director is hereby directed to tender the following proposal to the city and the county:

Provided the city will:

1. Provide one hundred percent of the right of way for a six-lane divided highway clear of obstructions and free of cost to the state with acquisition procedures to be in accordance with policies of the Texas Department of Transportation (the "department") and with applicable Federal and State laws governing the acquisition policies for acquiring real property.
2. Provide one hundred percent of the cost of eligible utility adjustments as may be required in accordance with policies of the department.
3. Assume responsibility for jurisdiction and maintenance of the section of existing Farm to Market Road 260, from Borderland Road to State Highway 20, a distance of approximately 5.0 miles.

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Provided the county will:

- 1. Assume responsibility for jurisdiction and maintenance of the section of existing Farm to Market Road 260, from the New Mexico State Line to Borderland Road, a distance of approximately 1.9 miles.

The department will:

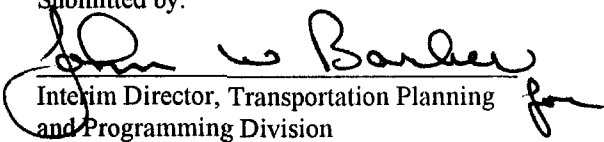
- 1. Authorize development of Artcraft Road as a state highway and construct four-lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided highway.
- 2. Remove Farm to Market Road 260, from the New Mexico State Line to State Highway 20, a distance of approximately 6.9 miles, from the state highway system.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon acceptance of the provisions of this Order by the city and the county, that FARM TO MARKET ROAD 260, from State Highway 20 to the New Mexico State Line, a distance of approximately 6.9 miles, is removed from the state highway system and returned to the city and the county for their jurisdiction and maintenance.

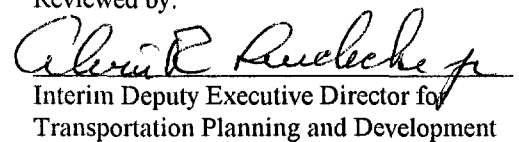
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Minute Order 91758 dated June 26, 1991, is hereby voided and replaced with this Order and that the executive director is hereby authorized to enter into any necessary agreements and to proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with project development.

This Order shall become operative upon acceptance by the city and the county, and if not accepted within 90 days of the date hereof, the action contained in this order shall not be implemented.

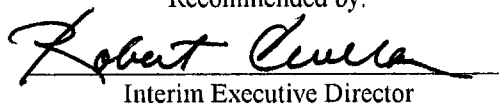
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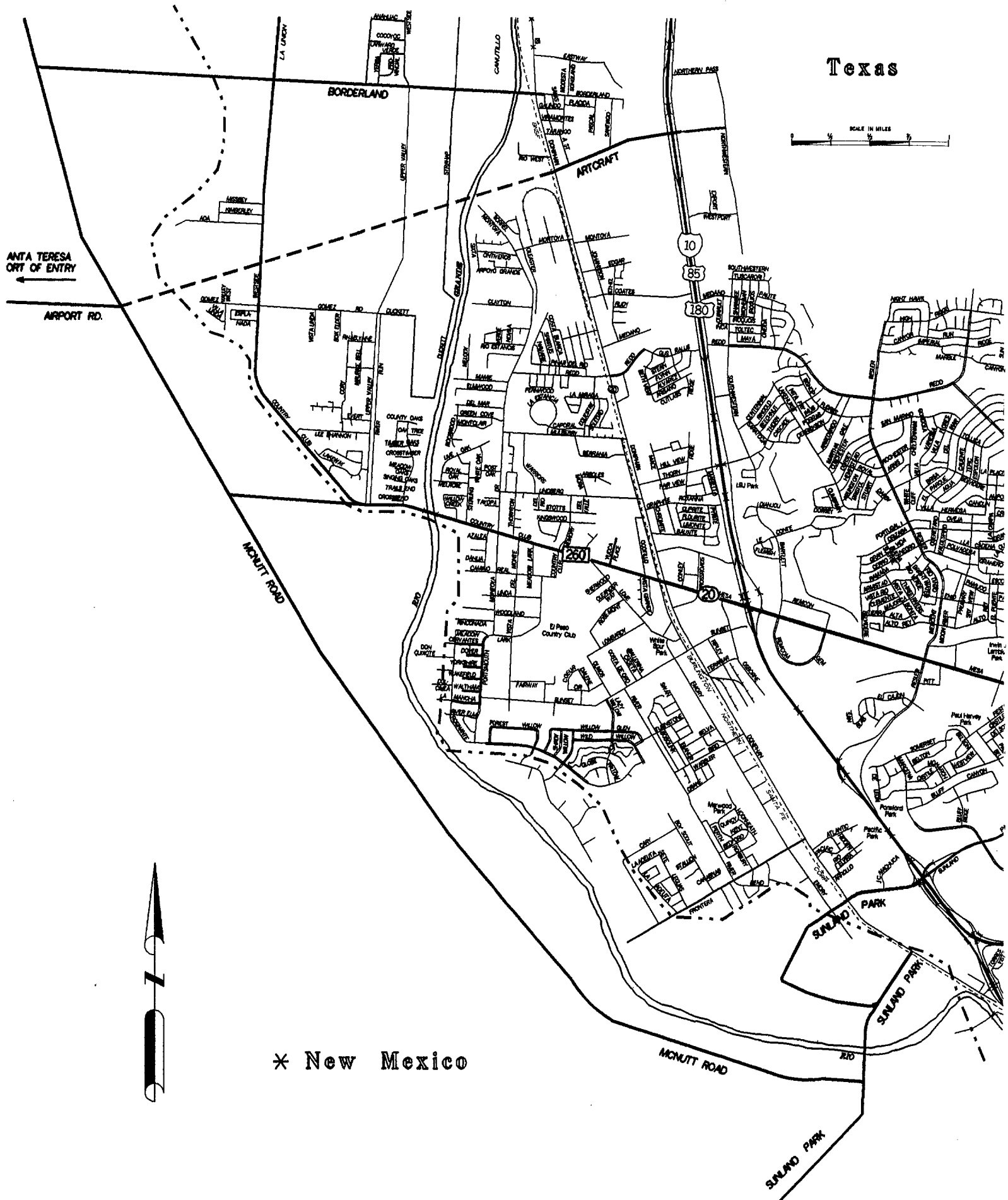
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